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March 16, 2004

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RE: EMERGENCY REQUEST OF March 11, 2004  
SAND(s): EXPOSITO B SAND, RESERVOIR E  
FIELD: LAPEYROUSE FIELD  
PARISH: Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana  
APPLICANT: CASTEX ENERGY, INC.

Dear Mr. Duplantis:

Because of the reason set forth in your emergency request letter, it has been determined that undue hardship would be caused by the 20-day delay prescribed in Rule 3 of the Revised Rules of Procedure, effective October 11, 1983. You are therefore permitted to immediately file your application in compliance with Rule 8 of the Revised Rules of Procedure.

Yours truly,

JAMES H. WELSH  
COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

BY:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John R. Aldridge".

John R. Aldridge, Director  
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Mr. John Aldridge  
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Re: Exposito B Sand, Reservoir E  
LAPEYROUSE FIELD  
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana  
Applicant: Castex Energy, Inc.

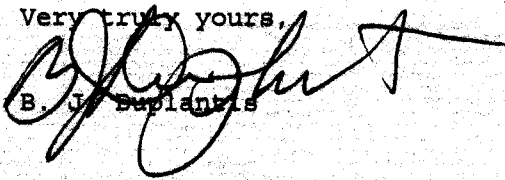
Dear Mr. Aldridge:

Attached to this letter is a plat which shows the leases which will expire on May 17, 2004.

We have finalized the geology relative to the subject sands and portions of the expiring leases may be included in our proposed units. The State/Private Owners' boundary is subject to survey. Therefore, in order to unitize the subject sands prior to the expiration date of the leases, we respectfully request waiver of the pre-application notice required in Rule 3 of the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation in connection with this matter.

Please be assured that, if a waiver of the pre-application notice requirement is granted, we will fully comply with Rule 8 of the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation.

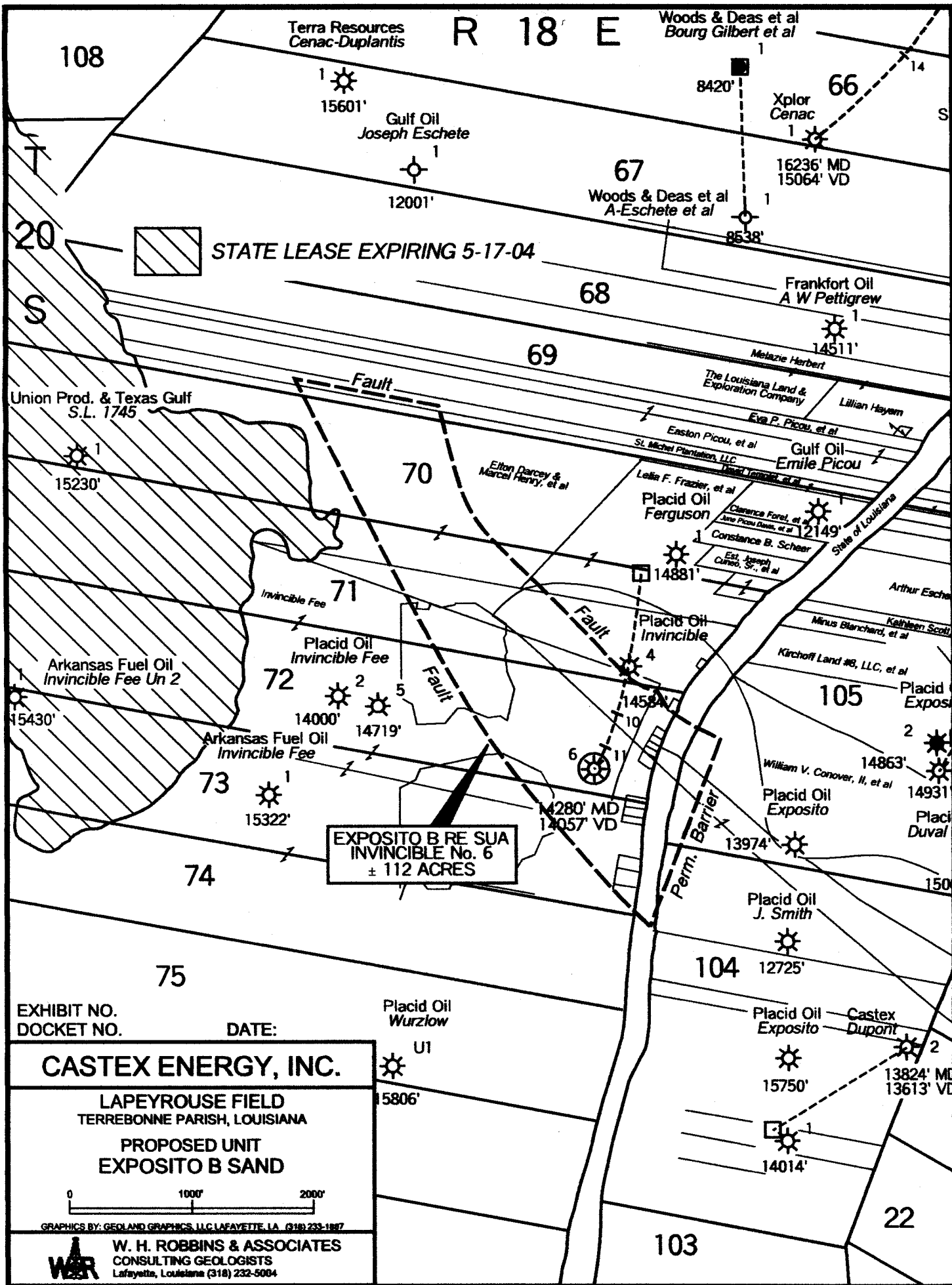
Very truly yours,

  
B. J. Duplantis

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Honorable James H. Welsh  
Commissioner of Conservation  
Post Office Box 94275  
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Re: Hearing Application  
Exposito B Sand, Reservoir E  
LAPEYROUSE FIELD  
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana  
Applicant: Castex Energy, Inc.

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of **Castex Energy, Inc.** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the Exposito B Sand, Reservoir E in the Lapeyrouse Field, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana:

1. To create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 112 acres for the Exposito B Sand, Reservoir E, Lapeyrouse Field, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, designated as the Exposito B RE SUA, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said sand units;
3. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the EXPOSITO B RE SUA;
4. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
5. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoir as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

The Exposito B Sand, Reservoir E in the Lapeyrouse Field is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the measured depths of 13,881 feet and 13,964 feet (-13,621' to 13,704' subsea)

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(electrical log measurements) in the Castex Energy, Inc.-Invincible Fee No. 6 Well located in Section 71, Township 20 South, Range 18 East, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

The Commissioner of Conservation has waived the twenty (20) day per-application notice requirement provided for in Rule 3 of the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation and that rule is not applicable to this hearing application.

A conference to discuss this application WILL BE HELD at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, March 22, 2004, in the offices of Gordon, Arata, McCollam, Duplantis & Eagan, 625 East Kaliste Saloom Rd., Suite 301, Lafayette, La 70508 (337) 237-0132.

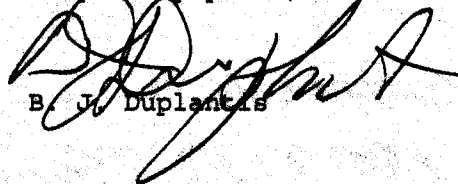
Attached hereto and made a part hereof are plats outlining the Exposito B RE SUA, Lapeyrouse Field, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners and represented parties who are being furnished with copies of this hearing application. This list includes the names and addresses of all interested parties who are known to the applicant after a reasonable search. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this hearing application. Should any such party desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. Art Christy of W. H. Robbins & Associates, Inc., 140 Rue Beauregard, Suite 100, Lafayette, LA 70508 (337) 232-5004.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, represented the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,



B. J. Duplantis

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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson, District Manager  
Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners,  
Represented Parties and Interested Parties

